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I oppose the proposed settlement.

I believe that the proposed settlement is an inadequate remedy to the harm caused by Microsoft's illegal actions. Also, I believe that the proposed settlement is not adequate to prevent or even discourage Microsoft from continuing to abuse their still-present monopoly position in several critical markets. I believe that the culture at Microsoft is such that they do not believe that they have done harm, and thus they will continue to behave in the same manner.

It is in the best interest of US business and consumers to impose a far stronger sanction that would first, adequately punish Microsoft for the harm they have caused through their illegal actions, second, alter the situation so as to significantly reduce their illegally gained monopolies and third, monitor and strongly punish Microsoft for all their future transgressions.

Lastly, the clear inadequacy of the proposed settlement leads to an appearance of impropriety between Microsoft and the Ashcroft/Bush DoJ which weakens the democratic institutions of our great nation.

Thank you,

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